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The NAACP Tells The Real "Untold" Story

NEW YORK -- On February 27, the New York Times reported that the Rand Corporation had released a study on the economic status of black America. This analysis which Rand referred to as the "untold story," supposedly highlights the unprecedented economic progress of black men during the last forty years.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is not as inclined to eagerly accept a forty-year progress report which covers the period 1940 to 1980 without realizing the inherent dangers of misleading information. Forty years ago, blacks were not only at the bottom of the economic ladder but were still being victimized by "separate but unequal" educational opportunities. In addition, blacks experienced blatant and rampant discrimination in employment, housing and all aspects of society. Given four decades, significant economic progress has been reported by every immigrant group settling in the U.S. A closer look, focusing upon the period 1970 through 1980, makes the real untold story glaringly evident.

During this decade which was the height of the Affirmative Action period, the rate of increase in median income of white males almost doubled that of black males. When looking at the average income figures for the same groups, the results are even more dramatic. In 1970, the average income for white males was $7,840 which increased to $15,967 by 1980. In 1970, black males had an average income of $4,683 which climbed to $9,843 during the next ten-year period. U.S. Census Bureau data clearly indicates a less competitive trend than that which is alluded to in the Rand report. In addition the study concludes that "for the first time in American history, a sizeable number of black men are economically better off than white middle class America." A futher investigation of this statement is certainly warranted. Using the definition for middle class as those earning between $15 - 25,000 per year, 28.5 percent of all white families qualified as middle class in 1970. By 1980, this number fell to 25.8 percent. In 1970, 25.9 percent of all black families qualified as middle class and by 1980, this group experienced similar drop to 23 percent. It is clear that middle class families both black and white are losing ground and this downward trend continues. Given these facts, the authors of the Rand report, James P. Smith and Finis R. Welch, need to explain how they arrived at such a startling conclusion. At the very least, we would also suggest that the term "sizeable" be appropriately "down"-sized with a real, specific number.

Erroneously, the Rand report states that in 1980, black men were earning 73 percent as much as white men. Census Bureau statistics differ considerably showing the average income of black males in 1980 to have been 62 percent of that earned by white males.

Most interesting was the reference to the birth of a new economic leadership consisting of "fully a fifth of all black men." Census data for 1970 puts the total of black males earning $25,000 and above per year at .2 percent with a dismal increase to 5.8 percent by 1980. Even the new math could not make 5.8 percent turn into 20 percent.

While the Rand report would have us believe that blacks are now enjoying the positive effects of the current extended recovery period, the truth of the matter cannot be camouflaged by subtle and deceptive methods. The economic status of blacks was accurately and comprehensively examined by the Urban League's 1985 Annual Report of the "State of Black America." The median income for black families as of 1980 dropped to $13,989 as ccompared to $24,176 for whites. Since 1975, the annual average black unemployment rates has been 15.2 percent with no year during this period showing black employment less than 12 percent. Since 1981, the average unemployment rate was 17 percent with no single year in between yielding less than 15 percent.

The Rand report suggests that the pace of economic growth in the remainder of the decade will largely dictate how history will view the impact of the Reagan years on the economic well-being of blacks. We do not understand why anyone has to wait until 1990, given the poverty and unemployment rates for blacks, which are at their highest levels since 1964.

Without a doubt, caution must be used when being told: "You've come a long way, bab !"

Frank Sinatra To Make Appearance At The Tacoma Dome

FRANK SINTRA is undoubtedly the most famous star in the world. Those who have been lucky enough to see SINATRA in concert will have the rare opportunity to see him once again, when he comes to the best large concert facility in the Northwest, the Tacoma Dome on Friday April 4, 1986. The concert will be staged in-the-round. Those who have never seen SINATRA in concert will not want to miss the opportunity to see in person the "Chairman Of The Board." This will be the "concert of a lifetime." Showtime is 8:30. RED BUTTONS will open the evening. The extraordinary view of SINATRA in-the-round will be made spectacular by the giant (16x20) screens placed above the stage. Sound for this event in the Tacoma Dome will be outstanding. Plenty of good seats are available. Tickets are $17.50, $22.50, $27.50 and on sale now at all Ticketmaster outlets locations. Additional special's offered for the "concert of a lifetime" include: hotel packages with a quality hotel room, dinner for two, excellent concert seats and round-trip transportation packages leaving from various Puget Sound locations; special dinner and show packages that include parking at the Tacoma Dome. Charge-by-phone.

Call Ticketmaster at 628-0888 in Seattle and 272-6817 in Tacoma.

"Martin, The Emancipator" Receives Golden Eagle Award

"Martin, The Emancipator" Receives Golden Eagle Award. (Hollywood, Calif.) Veteran actor John Quade presents the coveted Golden Eagle Award of the Southern California Motion Picture Council for Production Excellence--Video to the producers of the 45 minutes video "Martin, The Emancipator (Special Edition" which is about the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Quade, known for his work in Clint Eastwood movies and TV, makes the presentation to producers Hilary Clay Hicks, Dr. W.C. Gordon and John W. Cole. The video also won two other major awards from the Motion Pictures Council on the same day.

The awards were given for Production Excellence--Video, Direction Excellence--Video and Editing Excellence--Video, respectively. The presentation were made at a recent Motion Picture Council awards luncheon attended by Erik Estrada, Connie Stevens, the Platters and LaWanda Page, among others.

"Martin, The Emancipator (Special Edition)" features documentary footage, music by Stevie Wonder and Mahalia Jackson, and rare interviews with Coretta Scott King, Andrew Young, Jesse Jackson, Rosa Parks, Dr. Benjamin Mays and others. It is narrated by Dr. W.C. Gordon, pastor of the Divinity Baptist Church of Pasadena, Calif. and owner of United Standard Media Corporation, the producer and distributor of the video.

A portion of the proceeds from each video sold goes to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change in Atlanta, of which Coretta Scott King is president. It has also been approved by the State of California Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission, chaired by Dr. William Lee, publisher of the Sacremento Observer newspaper and first vice president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association.

"This program is a piece of history that every church, community group, classroom and Black home in America should have," said Gordon, upon receiving the awards.

"Martin, The Emancipator (Special Edition)" may be obtained in either VHS or Beta format by sending $42.55 per tape (includes tax) plus $2 postage and handling to United Standard Media Corporation, 1605 East Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, CA 91104.

Expecting An Income Tax Refund?

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON -- Are you expecting an income tax refund? Has it been 10 weeks since you filed your income tax return? If the answer is yes to both questions, then the IRS can help you track down that refund. Beginning on Monday, March 17, the IRS will accept refund inquiries from taxpayers who filed their returns more than 10 weeks ago.

If you moved after filing your return, make sure you give your new address to the post office so that your refund can be forwarded to you. If your refund check was destroyed, lost, or stolen, you will be sent a form to fill out to have a new check issued.

Tax Refund

For information on your refund, call the Iternal Revenue Service in Seattle at 442-1040, or toll-free, 1-800-424-1040. Or you may use the new Automated Refund Information weekdays only, by calling (206) 343-7221. Taxpayers with "touchtone" phones may call from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. This is not a toll-free call from outside the Seattle area.

Please make sure you have your Social Security Number, filing status and the expected refund amount when you call.

AID

As the Reagan administration and Congress debate the future of aid for Nicaraguan contra rebels, U.S. intelligence officials say the Soviet Union is providing Nicaragua with $260 million in economic assistance this year.

This figure, which can't be independently confirmed, is larger then what the United States provides any one of its allies in the region, but $188 million less than it is supplying El Salvador, Costa Rica and Honduras combined.

President Reagan has asked Congress to authorize $100 million in aid to the contras. In addition to the Soviet help for Nicaragua,

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East Germany is expected to contribute $35 million and Cuba about $20 million to the Sandinista government. The Reagan administration has focused attention on the military equipment Moscow has supplied to Managua, but officials said the Soviets for some time also have been Nicaragua's principal source of economic assistance.

The Soviets and other allied countries are believed to have contributed about $1 billion in economic aid to Nicaragua over the past five years. According to the sources, Soviet military aid for the same period has totaled about $600 million

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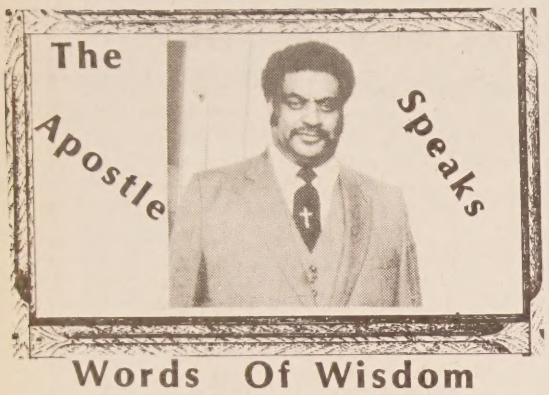

Words Of Wisdom

WHO HATH BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM IS THE ARM OF THE LORD REVEALED?

FOR HE SHALL GROW UP BEFORE HIM AS A ROOT OUT OF THE GROUND.

HE HATH NO FORM OR COMILINESS: AND WHEN WE SHALL SEE HIM, THERE IS NO BEAUTY THAT WE SHOULD DESIRE HIM.

DEUTERONOMY 2

Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the Lord spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.

And the Lord spake unto me, saying,

Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward.

And command thou the people, saying, Ye are to pass through the coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore:

Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot breadth; because I have given mount Seir unto Esau for a possession.

Ye shall buy meet of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink.

For the Lord thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness these forty years the Lord thy God hath been with thee thou hast lacked nothing.

And when we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.

And the Lord said unto me, Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land for a possession; because I have given Ar unto the children of Lot for a possession.

The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and any, and tall, as the Anakims;

Which also were accounted giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims.

The Horims also dwelt in Seir beforetime; but the children of esau succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their stead; as Israel did unto the land of his possession, which the Lord gave unto them.

Now rise up, said I, and get you over the brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered.

And the space in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, was thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were wasted out from among the host, as the Lord sware unto them.

For indeed the hand of the Lord was against them, to destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed.

So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people,

That the Lord spake unto me, saying,

Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab this day:

And when thou comest nigh over against the children of Ammon, distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon any possession; because I have given it unto the children of Lot for a possession.

That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims;

A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the Lord destroyed them before them; and they suceeded them, and dwelt in their stead:

As he did to the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:

And the Avims which dwelt in Hazerim, even unto Azzah, the Caphtorims, which came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.

Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle.

This day will begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.

And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon kin of Heshbon with words of peace, saying,

Let me pass through thy land: I will go along by the high way, I will neither turn unto the right hand nor to the left.

Thou shalt sell me meat for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only I will pass through on my feet;

Apostle Bishop D.L. Brooks, I

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Pacific Northwest Magazine Show To Benefit Ballet School

Pacific Northwest Magazine will host a special concert of flamenco dance to benefit Pacific Northwest Ballet School on Friday, April 18 at A Contemporary Theatre beginning at 8 p.m. The evening, held in celebration of Pacific Northwest Magazine's twentieth anniversary, will include an exclusive reception following the show at the home of Harriet Bullitt, publisher of Pacific Northwest Magazine.

"We have underwritten this concert in celebration of our twentieth anniversary of publishing," stated Harriet Bullitt. "It demonstrates our commitment to excellence in the arts of our region. Dance is just one of the fast growing performance arts which Pacific Northwest Magazine has written about during the past twenty years."

The concert will feature internationally reowned flamenco dancers Teo and Isabel Morca with Sara deLuis. Guitarist Victor Kolstee and vocalist Roberto Zamora will accompany the dancers. Tickets for the event will be $25 and are available through TICKETMASTER, 628-0888.

Annual Coin Show

The Olympia Coin Club is having its Annual Coin Club Show on Saturday, March 15, 1986, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This one day show will be at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Hall, 2902 1/2 Martin Way, Olympia. The show is free to the public. Beginning coin collectors, "numismatists", are encouraged to come.

The Olympia Coin Club holds its monthly meeting at the Carriage House (Behind the State Museum, 211 W 21st Street) in Olympia, at 7:30 the first Thursday of each month. The club presents educational shows, a coin auction and has a lending library at each club meeting. Guests and new members are always welcome.

Seattle Rep. To Focus On Black Discrimnation

The Seattle Rep's fifth Preview Lecture of the current season will focus on black discrimination prior to the 1960s civil rights movement. The discussion will begin at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, March 16, in the lobby of the Bagley Wright Theatre. Admission is free.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Joseph Bell, M.S.W., Ph.D. who will discuss some of the issues raised in August Wilson's play FENCES. Dr. Bell is the Vice President of the Seattle Urban League and is also an assistant professor at Seattle University, where he teaches Community Services.

August Wilson's FENCES, a perceptive story tracing the lives of a city-dwelling black family during the late '50s and early '60s, opens March 19 at the Bagley Wright Theatre. Tickets: 443-2222.

Free Energy Classes

The Tacoma Public Library and the Tacoma-Pierce County Energy Information Center will present a free energy class on "Superinsulation Mechanics, Air-to-Air heat Exchangers and Airtight Drywall Approach". The class will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 13, at the Tacoma Public Library, 1102 Tacoma Avenue South, Tacoma.

Superinsulated buildings have dramatically lowered heating and cooling costs and increased winter and summer comfort levels. Topics included in the slide presentation are construction methods for superinsulating ceilings, floors and walls, continuous vapor barriers, air quality, ventilation, air-to-air heat exchangers and efficient windows and doors. In addition, available options for constructing air/vapor barriers, including the Airtight Drywall Approach (ADA), will be presented. The class is cosponsored by the Tacoma Public Library. For more information, contact Mark at the Tacoma-Pierce County Energy Information Center at 591-7781.

The Puyallup Public Library and the Tacoma-Pirece County Energy Information Center will present a free class on "House Tightening Using a Blower Door". The class will be held on Wednesday, March 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Puyallup Public Library, 324 South Meridan, Puyallup.

Air leakage in homes results in a significant amount of total home heat loss--20 to 40%. A blower door is a device that is able to quantify the amount of air leakage in homes and help to identify exactly where the major leakage is occurring. The slide presentation will focus on the techniques used in blower door weatherization. Cosponsored by the Puyallup Public Library.

Sorority Plans 8th Annual Womanhood Award

The Eta Mu Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is making final plans for their 8th Annual Womanhood Awards Luncheon. The luncheon will take place on Saturday, April 5, 1986 at the Best Western Hotel's Copperfield Restaurant, 8726 South Hosmer, Tacoma, Washington at 11a.m.

Outstanding women from the community will be honored and presented with certificates of award for their leadership skills, dedication, cooperation, and community service. Ministers' wives who have served their churches and community well will also be honored at the luncheon.

The Sorority's theme for this year is "Assault On Illiteracy--The Home, School, Church and Community Working Together."

The Guest Speaker for the Finer Womanhood Luncheon will be Mrs. Dorothy Hollingsworth of Seattle, Washington. Mrs. Hollingsworth is the Deputy Director with the Department of Human Resources in Seattle as well as a member of the State Board of Education. For ticket information call 588-1415.

The public is invited.

Orientation Meeting On Adult Home Program

An orientation meeting to provide information about the Adult Family Home program will be held from 10 a.m. to noon to Tuesday, March 18 at the Puyallup City Library, 324 South Meridian. Adult family homes are licensed by the state to provide sheltered care for adults who for a variety of reasons cannot live on their own. Some compensation is provided. A two day training session will also be held later in the month. For additional information call Anne Stout, 593-8643.

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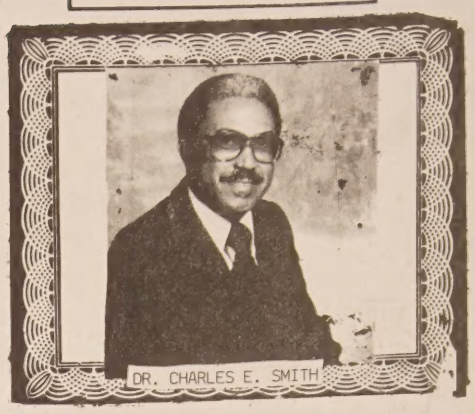

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The Bible is old; yet it is never new. There is a false notion that a book as ancient as the Bible cannot speak to theneds of modern man. But to all who read and love the Bible, it is relevant for our generation. The message of God's Word is the total answer to man's total need.

One of the greatest needs in the Church today is to come back to the Scriptures as the basis of authority, and to study them prayerfully in dependence on Holy Spirit. When we read God's Word, we fill our hearts with His Words and God is speaking to us.

Reading the Bible will make it's study more interesting, challenging and useful. I commend it to you.

Beacon Hill Baptist Church Celebrate 1st Anniversary

Beacon Baptist Church, pastored by Rev. Kenneth Updyke and located at 1215 So. 12th St. will celebrate its first anniversary March 16, 1986. Featured as guest preacher for the morning service is Dr. Elvin Mattison, a professor at the Northwest Baptist Seminary in Tacoma. Dr. Mattison will also bring a tenor solo as special music. Following the service, which begin at 11:00 a.m., there will be a potluck dinner for those who attend. The church which organized a year ago, has recently moved into its new location on 12th St. You are welcome to join us in thanking God for His blessings upon our church.

Some Benefits Are Taxable

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON -- Some retirees who receive social security benefits or tier 1 railroad retirement benefits may have to pay federal income tax on part of their benefits, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

If you received social security or tier 1 railroad retirement benefits during 1985, you will receive Form SSA-1095 or Form RRB-1099 showing the amount of benefits you received. Enclosed with your Form 1099 is a worksheet you can use to figure if any of your benefits may be taxable.

Generally, your benefits will not be taxable unless your income, plus one-half of your net social security benefits, plus any tax-exempt interest you received in 1984 is more than: $25,000 if you are single or $32,000 if you are married and filing a joint return. If you are married and filing a joint return, include income and benefits paid to both of you when making your computations.

The instructions for Form 1040A or Form 1040 explain the necessary computations including a step by step worksheet. More information can be found in free IRS Publication 915, "Tax Information on Social Security Benefits and Tier 1 Railroad Retirement Benefits," available by calling 1-800-424-3676 or in Seattle, 442-5100.

Local Activist Ramona Bennett In Support Of Local Peace Group

Local activist of the Puyallup Indian Tribe, Ramona Bennett, joins organizers Allan Anger and Barb Hanson of the Big Mountain Support Group in an open public forum on "Native Americans and the Peace Movement" to be hosted by a local peace group, Sixth Sense, on April 3.

At Big Mountain (Arizona) thousands of traditional Navajo Indians are resisting an effort by U.S. government agencies and energy companies to force them to move from reservation lands on which they have lived a long time and which has sacred value. This confrontation is quickly approaching a climax as the July '86 deadline for relocation nears and support groups spring up across the country in response to government threats to use armed troops if necessary. Hanson and Angor will present a slide show before kicking off a lively discussion about what can be done.

The evening program will also include a presentation by Olympia organizer, Fred Rose, on an international peace workcamp held here last summer that brought together repre-

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eye on ★ BEAUTY

Fragrance Flashback!

Get the facts on fragrance! Take a step back in time with a fragrance blast from the past. Find out about scents way back when and how they evolved into the fabulous fragrances of today.

At the beginning of early civilizations, perfume was associated with medicine, mythology and religion. History tells us that the very first "perfumes" were obtained by burning resins, gums, leaves and woods in order to offer pleasant aromas to the gods. In fact, the word perfume comes from the Latin *per* (meaning through) and *fume* (meaning smoke). Early worshippers evidently hoped that the sweet smell of their offerings would sway the judgment of the heavens in their favor. The chief perfumers, then, were priests, and fragrance was reserved for religious ceremonies only.

However, by the time of the ancient Egyptians, perfume was making a real *scent*sation.

Perfumed oils (soap had not yet been invented) were used in special "ungent" rooms to cleanse and soften the skin.

At important dinners and parties, guests would place solid cones of perfume on top of their braided wigs. During the evening, the perfume would melt and trickle down, helping the guests keep their cool and perfuming them at the same time.

Perfume also played a part in the ceremonies of kings and queens. For example, when a Pharaoh was crowned, priests would annoint him from head to toe with special perfumes, used only for this purpose.

Cleopatra, one of Egypt's most famous queens, is reputed to have been a big fragrance fanatic. It's said she even went so far as to drench the sails of her barge with perfume in order to catch the attention of Marc Antony. (It must have worked—he married her!)

When the Greeks got wind of the fragrances enjoyed by the Egyptians, they too entered the scent scene. After conquering the Greeks, the Romans also joined the fragrance frolic. In fact, the luxury-loving Romans took the use of fragrance to the limit! They poured it over themselves, their clothes and furniture, open ampitheaters were perfumed and even their military banners got a liberal dousing!

However, the fall of the Roman Empire put a stop to the fragrance frivolity in the Western world, although the development and use of fragrance continued in the Far East.

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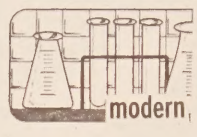
scents here and now

At scent's start, there were only a few ingredients available to make fragrances. Now, scientists and perfumers have thousands of different fragrances, additives and aromas to choose from. The result of these great *scent*sations are classified into seven scent categories. Check them out, and put yourself on the right scent.

single floral
These are simple scents that focus on just one strong, identifiable flower fragrance—for example, lily of the valley, rose, lilac and gardenia.



'Home' warms heart with humor

FRED ANDREWS PHOTO

Tamu Gray and W. Earl Ray star in TAG's "Home."

THEATER REVIEW

Home. By Samm-Art Williams. Tacoma Actors Guild. Through March 29. Tickets. $10 to $15.50.

A Tribute To Seattle Slew

On Sunday, April 6, Pacific Northwest Ballet League is celebrating a great racehorse and new PNB ballet: SEATTLE SLEW. The celebration will take place in the Paddock Room at Longacres!

Guests will have the opportunity to tour the facilities, view the famous Kenneth Callahan art collection or participate in a handicapping workshop. Following a delicious Hunt Breakfast, a fashion show will be presented by I. Magnin. Then, of course, its gate time. One of the Sunday races will be named in honor of Pacific Northwest Ballet for the occasion. Seating is limited and disappearing quickly. Please call 935-7166 to place your reservations. Tickets are $100 to win, $75 to place, and $35 to show. All proceeds benefit Pacific Ballet.

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sentatives rom 10 countries, local peace groups and two local indian tribes. Native American children will entertain with song and drum as well.

The event is scheduled to begin with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the program to begin at 7:30. All members of the community are invited. Childcare will be provided. The forum will be held at the facilities of the Hillside Community Church located at 2508 South 39th, near the Tacoma Mall. Call Sixth Sense at 272-5204 for more information.

"Fences" A Compelling New Play Opens At Bagley Wright Theatre In Seattle

Seattle, Washington - The Seattle Repetory Theatre opens the West Coast premiere of August Wilson's "Fences" at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, at the Bagley Wright Theatre. "Fences" will have a 32 performance run through April 12.

PERFORMANCE TIMES:

PREVIEWS: Saturday, March 15 - 8:00p.m., Sunday, March 16 - 7:00p.m., Tuesday, March 18 - 8:00p.m.

EVENINGS: Tuesdays through Saturdays - 8:00p.m., Sundays - 7:00 p.m.

MATINEES: Sunday, March 23 - 2:00p.m., Saturdays, March 22, 29, April 5, *12-2:00p.m., Wednesdays, March 26, April 9 - 2:00p.m.

*The Saturday, April 12 matinee is signed for the hearing impaired.

August Wilson's "Fences" was first presented as part of the 1983 National Playwrights Conference at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center. In the spring of 1985, the Yale Repertory Theatre premiered Wilson's newest play, garnering almost unanimous accolades both for its production, directed by the Yale Rep's artistic director Lloyd Richards, and for the work itself. It is the Yale production which will be staged at the Seattle Rep; set, costume and lighting designs by the original artisans are utilized and direction is again by Lloyd Richards, assisted by Diane Wynter. A new cast has been assembled for the Seattle staging.

August Wilson was noted chiefly as one of the country's leading black poets prior to forming a working partnership with Lloyd Richards which resulted in the Yale Rep's staging of his first play "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom." Transferred to Broadway, that play quickly became the hit of the '84 season, with its author lauded as a major new voice in the American theatre.

With "Fences," Wilson has firmly established his reputation as an important new playwright. Critical raves followed the Yale opening, citing the strong characterizations, moving story line and Wilson's exacting ear for the black vernacular. The play's central figure is Troy Maxson, a black former baseball player turned garbage collector, a man haunted by what he might have been and embittered by what he has become. Set in a nothern city slum between the years 1957 to 1965, "Fences" explores the generational and marital tensions that racism creates in its victims and does so with humore, understanding and powerful dramatic force.

Gilbert Lewis portrays Troy in this production. Lewis was seen in New York in the Negro Ensemble Company productions of "The River Niger," "The Brownsville Raid" and "Ballet Behind the Bridge." He appeared on Broadway in "The Great White Hope" and at off-Broadway's American Place Theatre in "Who's Got His Own." In addition to numerous regional theatre and film credits, Lewis has been associated with the New York Shakspeare Festival and toured nationally in "What the Winesellers Buy."

Frances Foster appears as Rose, Troy's good-hearted, loyal but strong-willed wife whose dreams take second place to her love for Troy and their son, Cory. Ms. Foster is an original member of the Negro Ensemble Company and has been seen in over 25 NEC productions in the U.S., Australia and Europe. On Broadway she was seen in "First Breeze of Summer" and "The River Niger." She has myriad regional, film and television credits and twoce won the Audelco Award; in 1978 for her role in "Do Lord Remember Me" and in 1983, for her direction of "Hospice." Ms. Foster also won the 1985 Obie Award for Sustained Excellence of Performance.

Keith Amos will portray Cory, the Maxson's son whose dreams of becoming a professional football player are thwarted by Troy's determination to protect the boy from disillusionment. An alumnus of Howard University, Amos made his Broadway debut starring as David in "The Amen Corner" and appeared off-Broadway in "The Me Nobody Knows," "The Cotton Club Review" and the musical "Sweet Will."

Robert Colston appears as Troy's longtime buddy Jim Bono; Samuel L. Jackson will play Lyons, Troy's ne'er-do-well son by a first marriage, and William Jay returns to the Rep as Gabriel, Troy's gentle, but demented brother.

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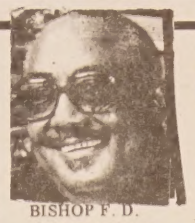

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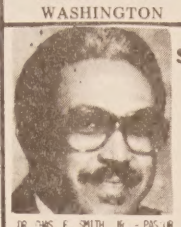

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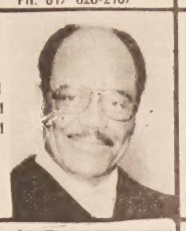

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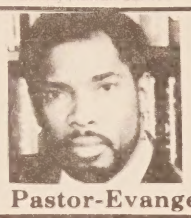

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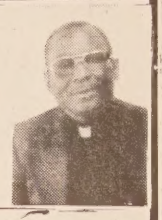

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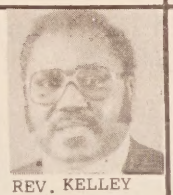

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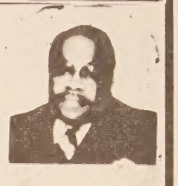

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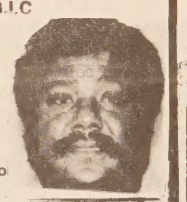

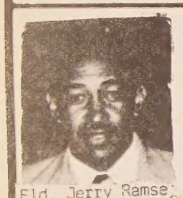

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ST. MARK 16:11-

And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.

And they went and told it unto the residue: neither believed they them.

Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

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A Week Of Worship In Support Of Justice And Peace

This year, during Central America Week, March 16-24, 1986, thousands of congregations, local religious task forces, and communities will come together in a week of worship, study and action in support of justice and peace in Central America. The Central American Network and the Latin America Awareness Group of UPS have planned several events in Tacoma for the week. The public is welcome to all of the events.

* On Sunday, March 16, at 3:00 p.m., the week will begin with a service of remembrance and celebration for the life of Archbishop Oscar Romero at Mason United Methodist Church, 2710 North Madison.

* On Monday, March 17 at 7:30 p.m. at McIntyre Hall of the University of Puget Sound, the Latin America Awareness Group will present two films: "Roses in December," a film about four churchwomen murdered in El Salvador, and "Witness to War," Dr. Charles Clements shocking account of his year long stay in El Salvador.

* On Tuesday, March 18 at 5:30 in the Student Union basement, Chris Darrow will present a show slide about the University of El Salvador.

* On Thursday, March 20 at 7:30 p.m. in Kilworth Chapel, there will be a speaker and a panel discussion on Central American issues. Speakers include Joyceann Hagan, St. Leo's; Tim Marshall, Evergreen State College Campus Minister; and Jim Lobe, University of Washington policy analyst.

* On Sunday, March 23 the week will conclude with a procession and service in Seattle. The procession will begin at St. Marks Cathedral, 1245 10th Ave. East and end at St. Joseph's Church, 732 18th East, for the service.

Hampton University Choir To Share Their Musical Talent In Concert

A concert by the world famous Hampton University Choir of Virginia, March 15 and an address by Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction Mona Bailey, March 16 will cap off Women's Day celebrations at the Allen A.M.E. Church, 1411 S. Yakima in Tacoma.. The Women's Day theme is "Christian Women Foster Excellence." The Saturday concert is scheduled at 5p.m., while the address will follow the next morning at 10:45 a.m.

Hampton University, formerly Hampton Institute, has been sharing the vast musical talent of its choirs with the nation and the world since 1870. Under the direction of Roland Carter, the university's choirs have continued to bring their broad repertoire of historical period music and raditional black American spirituals to the peoples of the world. Recent tours have included the U.S. Virgin Islands, Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

Mona H. Bailey has served as Assistant State Superintendant of Public Instruction since 1974. Her background in the education profession includes teaching at the University of Washington and Seattle University, and serving as a member of the Pacific Science Center Board of Trustees and the City of Seattle Advisory Committee for the African-American Heritage Museum.

fAdmission for the Saturday concert is a $5 donation. There is no admission fee for Ms. Bailey's address. For more information, contact Rev. G. Mansfield Collins at 627-6855 or 531-3757.

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Notice

The Employment Security Department will issue a Request For Proposal to potentially provide a job skill transfer project to be operated in Tacoma. Approximate $12,000 will be available from JTPA Title III funds. The project is scheduled to operate from April 7, 1986 through September 30, 1986. The Request For Proposal is now available. Proposals are due by 4:30 p.m. on March 28, 1986 in the Contracts Office at the address listed below.

For further information and to obtain a copy of the Request For Proposal, contact: Employment Security Department, 212 Maple Park, Olympia, Washington 98504, Attention: Jeff Gonzales, Telephone: (206)753-1200.

Meeting Of The Washington State Commission For Vocational Education

MARCH 26-27, 1986

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Work Session Wednesday March 26, 1986 at 1 PM - Members of the Commission for Vocational Education will tour Yakima O.I.C., then meet in a work session to discuss the public hearing comments concerning Federal funding distribution and the Job Skills Program applications.

Public Hearing Wednesday March 26, 1986 at 3 pm - 5 pm- The Commission will hold a Public Hearing on the 1986-88 Three-Year Plan for Vocational Education (new appropriation for Title III, Part A).

Regular Meeting Thursday March 27, 1986 at 9:30AM - The regular business meeting of the Commission will convene at 9:30 a.m. Primary agenda items will include a review of the Job Skills Program applications and a report on the "Education and the Future of Work III" Conference.

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Bro. John Wood, saxophonist; and Bro. Michael Thompson, drummer.
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The concert is being sponsored by the Mt. Tahoma Church and will

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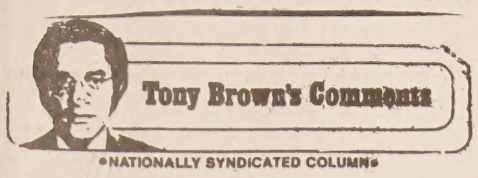

How To Finance And Love Your Own Destruction

No, I did not see "The Color Purple" and obviously many who saw it (and gave those who produced the most savage treatment of Black men since "Birth of a Nation" another $100 million to produce another one) did not really "see" it either.

And to all of you critics who have written to this paper and to me, you seem to fall into the following categories: frustrated Black women, closet homosexual men and closet lesbians and meddling White people. I left one group out: pseudo-intellectual Negroes who neither read nor comprehend very well.

Frustrated Black women are mad (and I do not mean angry) at the world and seize every opportunity possible to blame all Black men for the failure of a few and damn Black manhood because they can't find one -- or found the wrong one. They then employ the convoluted logic that they are perfect because they have failed and they are women, which is why they are frustrated. That's sexist. Neither do I suggest that all women who enjoyed "Purple" are frustrated.

There are as many Black-female tramps as there are Black-male bums. There are as many wonderful and healthy Black women as there are Black men. And most Black women and most Black men are healthy, in spite of White racism.

If you like movies that exploit your frustration and make you feel good about being frustrated, that's your business. But don't try the martyr bit. I'm not buying.

And for you homosexuals of the closet variety who are making a case for lesbianism in the name of Black man - Black woman relationships, why don't you come on down front and say what your real motives are. If you sexually prefer men and you feel women should sexually perfer women -- say it and stop hiding behind "The Color Purple."

As far as you meddling White people are concerned, I don't give a damn what you think one way or the other about Black men, women, children or dogs. You've never suffered one second from this destructive and odious disease -- and that's what it is -- of WHITE RACISM.

You have not earned the right to have an opinion. But your White arrogance tells you that you can tell us what our family dynamics are. The New Pittsburgh Courier wasted space on a White woman who said that I was "hung up on color." "The movie ("Purple") had to do with men and women, not with Black men and Black women," she wrote.

She lamented that I was going through life with such a "limited view." Blackness, dear White lady, never limited me. Rather, knowing my African-self creates my success against the psycholcgical ravages that your kind of logic has tried to effect. While your first sentence admitted that you are "White," you condemn me for seeing the world from a Black point of view. Your're really telling me not to exist.

She is joined in the Courier by a teacher at the University of pittsburgh's law school with his not White or Black gibberish. Because I did not see the film, he says, I am stupid for commenting on it. "Color," he said is a "winner." Sure is, for racism and exploitation. That's why it wins so many awards.

Did a Jew have to go into a gas chamber to understand Hitler's motives? I know what the $100 million dollars that "Purple" has made at the box office means.

It means more "Purples," but no "Blacks." It provides racism with a bankroll, without which it would be impotent. My writings stopped many Blacks from going to see this disaster and I feel good -- and Black -- about it.

Hollywood studios will never co-opt me with crackers and cheese and cheap wine at "press parties." I buy my own, therefore, I say what I want.

Next year, you'll see my first feature movie. Those of you who love "Purple" will hate mine. You "closet queens" won't find my heroes looking for homosexual affiars and White folks who prefer us to be White in ideas will be shocked. Men and women will be equally corrupt and equally holy. But I will distinguish between slaves and free men and women.

There are one million of us who escaped the psychological damage of slavery and racism. And quite frankly, for those who don't belong to this group, I don't give a damn what your slave mentality tells you. And as far as Whites are concerned, you can keep your Black opinions to yourself.

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An Open Letter To The Hilltop Community

The children of the Black Community are headed down a road of neglect. The question could be asked of a great many of the community's adults Quo Vadis? (Wither goest-thou?) This includes many Black parents, Educators, Ministers, Heads of Community Organizations. Everyone talks about what should be done, but a pitiful few try to do something. The neglect of our children is appalling, and no where in the Total Black Community is it more apparent than in the Hilltop Community at the Al Davies Boys & Girls Club, a beautiful facility under supported, burdened by bad mouthing, incrimination, the meager staff and few dedicated volunteers in Heroic efforts struggle to keep the Club going. And no doubt wonder to themselves why so few parents whose children attend the Club support it in the ways of visiting to see how their children functions, concerning what their children are doing. Attend fundraisers and functions concerning their children. Don't they know or care that these children are our greatest asset if we are truly to over come?

During Black History Month, thousands went down to Olympia to Honor the late Dr. King on his birthday, churches, clubs held services and dinners to celebrate the New Holiday. One wondered if Martin could have been there would he have said thank you, "but why honor me so, yet not continue in our stride toward freedom? Know ye not, that no people can ever be truly free if it neglects its children." Through the large glass door of the Al Davies Boys & Girls Club stroll potential Judge Jack Tanner, Maxine Mimms, Carl Brown and Rev. E.S. Brazill, World Class Athletes and maybe just maybe, a Jessie Jackson a Barbara Jordon and a host of others. it's been said, a mind is an aweful thing to waste. But I say to you Pastor, to you Parent, to you Educator, to you heads of Community Organizations to neglect a child and not help he or she to reach their potential - is a sin-

To the many Black males who lanquish in despair in the State's Prisons to pitiful and frustrated teen mothers they are not so much victims of the system its rather an indictment of the Black Adult's lack of concern it's high time that we as a people take up the gauntlet that Dr. King and others gone on before has left us and to secure a brighter future for our children by being supportive of them I know of no place in Tacoma that the support is needed more than at the Al Davies Boys & Girls Club we beg of you to come and give us of your support no matter how little it will be greatly appreciated by both the children and staff.

An Independent View from Capitol Hill

BY HON. GUS SAVAGE
Member of Congress

The Hidden Reagan Hand In Phillipines

Now that Corazon Aquino has been installed as President and Ferdinand Marcos is luxuriating in Hawaii with his millions, everybody is patting Reagan on the back and talking about what an outstanding job he did in directing the transfer of power in the Philippines.

President Reagan's friends and some of his enemies are comparing his performance with that of Jimmy Carter's when the Ayatollah Khomeini toppled the Shah of Iran and Daniel Ortega replaced Anastasio Somoza in Nacaragua, insisting that Reagan gave Carter a lesson in how much things should be done.

These analysts are talking, of course, about actions essential to maintaining dominant American influence in countries that have undergone radical changes in leadership, and to necessarily about the correct American posture to ensure increased benefits to the citizens of the concerned countries.

First, Carter's supposed lack of success cannot be logically compared to Reagan's assumed success because of the basic political differences existing in the three countries at the time of the upheavals.

At least four clearly definable political movements existed in the Philippines prior to the election - a reactionary right-wing party headed by Marcos, a liberal to moderate party headed by Aquino, a left-wing non-Communist group, and the Communist insurgency.

In Iran at the time Khomeini came to power, conditions had deteriorated into a standoff between the dictatorial Shah and the Isalamic fundamentalists headed by the Aytollah. Likewise, in Nicaragua at the time the Sandinistas came to power, the continuing excesses of Somoza had polarized the country into two warring camps, and extreme right and the extreme left. Given these conditions, there was little Carter could do to maintain American influence in either country.

The analysts who are applauding Reagan seem to forget that the President did not want to desert Marcos and did so only after it became clear that the people were behind Aquino and that she was not going to accept the proposal to negotiate with Marcos for the creation of some type of coalition government. From that point on, it was clear to the Reagan administration that if they wanted to maintain American influence in the manner in which they were accustomed, they had to do more than just play the role of wise advisors.

I am convinced that the timely defection of Defense Minister Juan Ponce Enrile and Lt. General Fidel Ramos from the Marcos camp was not entirely the idea of the two military leaders, but was arranged by the Reagan administration to gain the confidence and win the gratitude of Aquino. This way the Reagan administration could have it both ways: the admiration of the Philippine people for helping them to gain their freedom and the guarantee that Aquino would not tilt too far to the left when she came to power.

If her early actions of freeing all political prisoners is any indication, Aquiono is not doing too badly in resisting the pressures of the American government and its military fifth column.

Aquino has two choices in the months immediately ahead. She can cave in to the establishment forces in her government and press for no significant reforms, or she can buck these forces and move sharply to the left by instituting all-out land reform and other wealth-sharing measures.

If the latter happens, the Reagan administration will not be so sure of the success about which it is currently beaming.

Senate Gives Approval Of House Bills To Save Workers Compensation

OLYMPIA -- The Senate has given its approval to a package of House bills that would save the state workers' compensation trust fund $75 million in the first year of implementation.

The bills, which also increases benefits for injured workers with permanent partial disabilities, now go to the governor for his signature.

Rep Art Wang, chairman of the House Commerce & Labor Committee where the package was developed, said the savings to the trust fund represents another step in efforts to improve the state's industrial insurance system.

"I'm convinced that the state can provide workers' compensation in a fair and efficient manner. But it's going to mean making some significant changes in the system," said Wang, D-Tacoma.

Workable changes in industrial insurance also depend on cooperation between competing interests, he said. In this case, the legislation came as a result of negotiations between Democrats, Republicans, and representatives of labor, business, trial lawyers, self-insurers and the Department of Labor & Industries, which administers the state proram.

"The agreement between business and labor was virtually unprecedented. That's why we're seeing this package fly through the Legislature," said Wang.

The first year savings of $75 million created by the bills would cut the trust funds's $225 million deficit by one-third. After the first year of implementation, the package would continue to save $19 million a year.

The largest amount of savings would come from a proposal to reduce compensation to an injured worker by the amount of his or her social security retirement benefits. This would apply only to new pension cases. The resulting savingz would amount to $56 million the first year and $12 million for every year thereafter.

Another $21 million would be saved by eliminating pension benefits for survivors of injured workers who die from causes unrelated to an industrial injury, unless the worker decides to have survivors' coverage.

Workers who claim benefits after voluntarily retiring would be ineligible for benefits unless they attempt to return to work. This would save another $1 million. By closing a loophole that permits workers to recover benefits from both their uninsured motorist insurance policy and from workers' compensation, the state would save another $700,000 a year.

To make sure the system takes adequate care of injured workers who really need benefits, the package includes a proposal to increase permanent partial disability benefits by 50 percent. For example, compensation for loss of a limb would increase from $36,000 to $54,000.

Workers with these injuries have not had an increase since 1979. The cost of the increae to the system would be $16 million a year.

The package also call for continued oversight of workers' compansation by the Joint Select Committee on Industrial Insurance. Wang is a member of the committee.

"I'm pleased with our accomplishments, but we have a lot more work ahead of us," he said.

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Investing For Your Children's Future

The spiraling cost of raising children is all too evident to parents shellshocked by the prices of everything from running shoes to orthodontics. Of course, the biggest expense of all is college. By the year 2002, you can expect to pay more than $130,000 for four years at a private university and almost $50,000 at public institution.

Even though you and your spouse may be earning substantial incomes, just covering your family's regular expenses and maintaining an emergency reserve can be a daunting financial challenge. Often there just isn't much "extra" to put aside for college or your children's other future needs.

What most parents don't realize is that if they start early enough, they don't really have to divert very much from their household budgets. However, they do need to change their thinking stress actively investing instead of passively saving.

A wide range of investments exists today that use the "magic" of compound interest to turn small sums into very large ones over a period of years. Among them are zero coupon bonds, bond unit trusts and annuities. Or, you can opt for high-quality growth stocks or mutual funds that have excellent potential for long-term capital appreciation, although not much current income.

Whatever assets you acquire, put them into a custodial account (officially known as a Uniform Gift to Minors Act account, or UGMA), which your Financial Consultant can set up for you in child's name.* You, your spouse, your child's grandparents and other relatives may each contribute up to $10,000 per year in cash or securities to the account, which is managed by a custodian (which can be you or anyone you choose).

A custodial account--which becomes your child's property when he or she reached legal age--provides you with significant tax savings. Because your child is presumably in a lower tax bracket than you are, he or she will pay much less tax on the income from the assets than you would if you kept them in your name.

So important is getting an early start that we at Shearson Lehman Brothers have established a special program called "Funding For Life", which helps you invest successfully for your children's future by purchasing deeply discounted zero coupon Treasury bonds for an UGMA account. These purchases are made in whatever amounts you can afford, whenever you can afford them. Zeros grow in value quickly and dramatically. For example, an investment of $476 will grow to $1000 in just eight years, when invested at 9.5%.

If you are concerned about your child gaining outright ownership of the funds in the account at the age of 18 or 21--and if you can set aside sizable assets all at once-you may wish to have a tax attorney establish a trust instead. With one type of trust, you regain possession of the assets when the trust expires, although the income is the child's.

A cautionary word from the accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand: If you've been planning to start investing for your children, go ahead, but work especially closely with

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your Financial Consultant and tax advisor/accountant. The reason: If tax reform is enacted this year, some trusts could be virtually abolished for children. Moreover, custodial accounts are likely to become less advantageous because a child's low-tax earnings would be subject to a ceiling -- perhaps $1,000, perhaps $2,000. Earnings above the ceiling would be taxed at the parent's rate until the child reaches 14. In effect, this would sharply limit the value of assets donors would put into such accounts.

However, even if these changes occur, the experts at Shearson Lehman Brothers feel that there are still numerous opportunities to invest in your children's future, and the time to begin taking advantage of these opportunities is now. Ask your Financial Consultant which investments are right for you.

*In some states, such as California, this is referred to as a Uniform Transfers to Minors Act, or UTMA. Also, UGMAs and UTMAs cannot be used by parents to satisfy their normal child support obligation. This regulation is governed individually by each state.

Seattle Resident Among Honorees Of Presidential Distinguished Awards

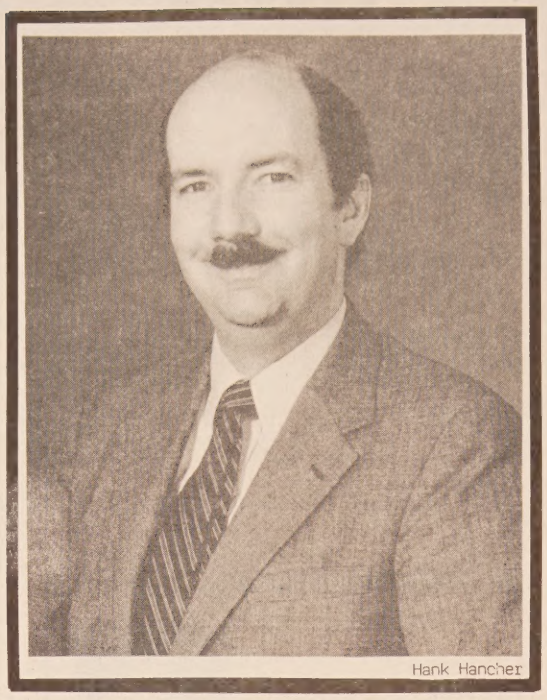
A Seattle resident was among 32 federal employees honored by their peers last week at the first annual awards banquet sponsored by the Senior Executives Association (SEA) and its training arm, the Professional Development League (PDL).

William Y. Nishimura, Seattle regional administrator-regional housing commissioner, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the other honorees were the 1985 recipients of the Presidential Distinguished Rank Award, the nation's highest civil service award. Each year no more than one percent of the slightly more than 6,000 men and women of the Senior Executive Service (SES) may receive this award. The 32 1985 recipients represent only about .5% of the SES population.

In honoring Nishimura and his colleagues at the black tie affair held in the U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Reception Rooms in Washington, D.C., Carol A. Bonosaro, chairperson of the SEA and PDL boards of directors, said it was time for career civil servants to be recognized for the valuable service they perform for this nation.

"Whether they are research scientists who bring us closer to the cures for devastating diseases, air traffic controllers who have the harrowing task of safely guiding planes through increasingly crowded skies, environmentalists who work to keep our air, land and water clean, or a professional like Nishimura, these are men and women who help to measurably improve the lives of the American people," said Bonosaro.

Tacome Dome Hotel Adds Staff Addition



Hank Hancher

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The Tacoma Dome Hotel Executive Committee is proud to announce three new additions to the staff of the TACOMA DOME HOTEL.

Hank Hancher, Rooms Division Manager. Hank is new to the Pacific Northwest bringing years of hotel experience with him.

He was assistant General Manager for the Sheraton International Conference Center in Reston, Virginia and Rooms Division Manager for both H.M.C. Columbia Inn, In Columbia, Maryland and the Sheraton in Silver Springs, Maryland. Hanks duties include Front Office Manager, Housekeeping, and Engineering operations.

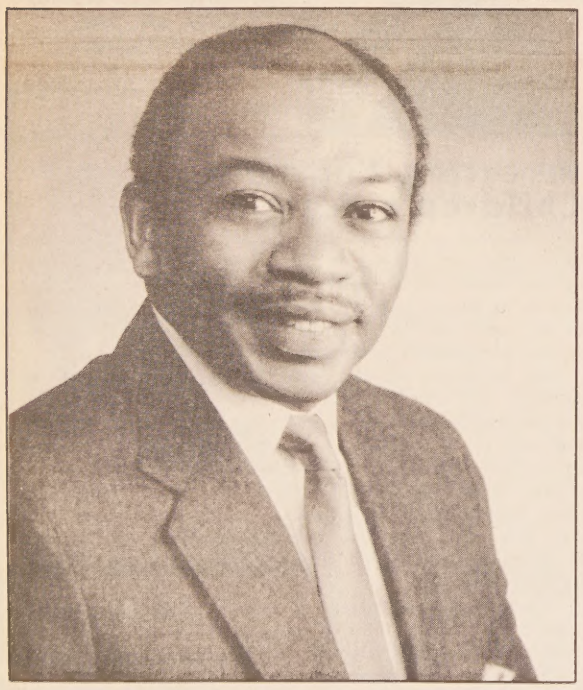
Loretta Hoover, Catering director. Loretta has been with the Tacoma Dome since its pre-opening set-up. She offers us 20 years of restaurant and lounge management experience. Lorrete is in charge of setting up all catered functions within the hotel.

Deborah M. Ogden, Coporate Sales Manager, Deborah comes from a wide range of management experience. She served as Corporate Sales Manager for the Greenwood Hotel in Bellevue, Wash. Most recently, she served as Fine Jewelry Manager for Jafco in Tukwilla.

Deborah is in charge of all corporate accounts for the hotel.

Making Job Service Work For You

By Commissioner Isiah Turner



For many years, Washington employers have demanded improved services from Job Service, the public employment service. It is imperative that the private sector involve itself in the improvement and strengthening of this valuable service. The Job Service Employers Committee (JSEC) is doing something about these demands.

During the past decade, in large cities and small communities throughout the country, Job Service Employers Committees have gathered to critique the quality of service provided by their local Job Service Center. Employer taxes pay for Job Service, and participating in a local JSEC is the best way to make sure that you are getting your money's worth.

JSEC is a unique partnership which brings innovation and efficiency into the operation of Job Service. By linking business and government, employers provide direct advice and become involved in the management of the public employment service. The result is better and more personalized service. Employers develop a problem solving relationship with local management and staff.

In simple terms, here is how it works. Employers sit down with local Job Service personnel to discuss their needs and to educate themselves about programs and services which reduce the cost of hiring and training. These employers receive the greatest possible return on their investment.

As a result of this involvement, employers are sent a better field of applicants for vacancies. With their participation, Job Service becomes as personal and responsive as their personnel department, by screening and testing applicants. It is a straight forward, grass roots process that is successful nationwide, in which more than 30,000 employers participate in over 1,000 local committees.

As an employer, your investment is time, energy, and creativity. In return, JSEC will put you in touch with valuable information about unemployment insurance taxes, training programs, special services, and tax credits available through the Employment Security Department. You will also stay on top of state and federal legislation, and how the impact may affect your business.

Getting involved merely takes a phone call to your local Job Service Center. Learn about the various services you fund. Volunteer your time to improve the quality of service to both employers and applicants. I urge all employers to take advantage of this opportunity to voice how and where their tax dollars are spent. Make Job Service work for you.

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Veterans Job Training Program Extended

Veterans now have until January 31 to apply for benefits under the Veterans' Job Training Act (VJTA), a formerly called the Emergency Veterans Job Training Act, a U.S. Labor Department official announced today. Robert Hall, Washington State Director of the department's Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS), said the program was reopened to Vietnam-era and Korean War veterans under Public Law 99-238, signed by President Reagan recently.

This law changed the name of the program, added a "case manager" system to increase the veteran completion rate, and gave veterans until January 31, 1987, to apply.

Veterans interested in receiving training under the VJT program must be currently unemployed and have been out of work for 10 to the 15 weeks prior to applying. Veterans may apply for certification through the local office of the Job Service or though the Veterans Administration.

So far, about 42,000 long-term unemployed veterans have received job training under the original program, Hall said, including about 1975 in Washington State.

Participating employers are reimbursed for up to half of the starting wages for training eligible veterans, up ot $10,000 per trainee. In return, employers must promise to hire veterans after training.

The new "case manager" system will be operated through the Washington State Job Service. Staff will follow up monthly on each person entering a VJT training program. The aim of the monthly contacts is to solve problems as they arise so veterans will stay in the program.

Both veterans and their employers will be encouraged to use the counseling services available through the Job Service offices and the U.S. Veterans Administration.

If a veteran is not found eligible for VJTA, Hall said, he or she may be able to join one of the other employment assistance programs available through the Local Job Service. Veterans must receive preferential treatment in all services offered by the Job Service, including referral to jobs.

Social Security Numbers Now Issued Faster And Safer

Although Social Security numbers are issued considerably faster today than in the recent past as a result of improvements in the Social Security Administration's systems capability, they are actually more difficult to get, William Ross, Social Security manager in Tacoma said recently.

The law requires proof of age, identity and U.S. citizenship or lawful admission status before a number is issued. These requirements are designed to protect against the increasing incidence of fraudulent use of social security numbers.

Social security numbers can now be issued in an average of 11 days rather than 6 weeks, Ross said. With new systems capability, a person's application can be checked out a great deal faster and a number issued quicker.

Under the current procedures, the Social Security Office inputs the application for a social security number directly into the central office computers in Baltimore, rather than sending them by mail.

Applicants for social security numbers should be sure to remember to bring proof of age, identity and U.S. citizenship or lawful admission status.

The best proof of age and U.S. citizenship is a public birth certificate recorded before age 5, issued by a state or local government bureau of vital of vital statistics. To establish identity, a document that shows name and signature, photograph, or other identifying information should be provided. Typical documents that may be used include passports, driver's licenses, and school records. Noncitizens should bring in their birth certificate and appropriate documents issued by the U.S. immigration and nutralization service.

People who need a replacement card or who want to change their names on their social security records must also provide evidence of identity, and former name. A new card with the new name but the same number will be issued.

More information about social security numbers can be obtained at the Tacoma Social Security Office, located at 1208 South 10th Street. The toll-free telephone number is 1-800-562-6350.

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Homework Hotline

For more than two years, Tacoma students, as well as those from as far away as Bellevue and Aberdeen, have been getting help with their homework via television. "Homework otline" is broadcast Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 4 and 5 p.m. over KTPS, and is averaging 122 callers each week.

To celebrate the program's success, a "Homework Hotline" tee-shirt will be awarded to a lucky caller at 4:20 p.m. March 12. Supt. Del Cross will make the presentation. Shirts will continue to be awarded to "lucky" callers each day until the end of school.

According to Reino Moisio, producer of the program, the show has an average of 45 callers each day, with the majority of students being in the fourth through ninth grade category. The program was designed to assist students in those grades with their mathematics and language arts assignments. "Eighty-four percent of the calls are on with 16 percent of those focusing on algerbra," reports Moisio, adding that approximately 16 percent of the questions are on language arts.

Since "Homework Hotline" began in November 1984, the popularity of the program has caused a need to increase the on-camers teaching staff from two to six and additional tutors. The tutors are students from Fort Steilacoom Community College and the University of Puget Sound.

Youngsters with questions can dial 272-7900 and leave their name, phone number and problem anytime throughout the day. The tutors are at the phone beginning at 3:30p.m. As many problems as possible are answered over the air by the teachers.

"The average number of out-of-district calls is about 65 percent compared to Tacoma's 35 percent.